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## News Release

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### 18-Month-Old Boy Dies

The death of an 18-month-old boy who died today while in Division of Child and Family Services custody is being investigated.

The boy was living in a foster home licensed by the Department of Human Services.

An independent contract agency is investigating the incident for DCFS to determine if child abuse occurred.

DCFS removed the boy's 5-year-old sister from the foster home, and the Office of Licensing has placed a hold on additional placements until the investigation is completed.

West Valley City Police, who received a 911 call Wednesday night about a child who wasn't breathing, contacted DCFS. The boy was taken to Primary Children's Hospital.

The children were originally removed from their Salt Lake area home by DCFS in February and placed in foster care.

The foster home had been licensed since October of 2002.

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